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Post 29 Newsletter

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## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Again, I'd like to start out by thanking all the young men and women who are presently in harm's way to keep us safe and free; free to say what we please, free to enjoy all the benefits that this great country offers, free to just say "I'm an American and damn proud to say it out loud!". So let keep them in our hearts and in our prayers.

Don't forget that our March meeting will be very interesting. We have Col. Robert Certain, USAF/Chap/Ret, as a guest speaker. Col Certain was a crewmember of the first B-52 bomber that was down in Viet Nam. He spent time as a POW at the Hanoi Hilton. He will be speaking on his experience. I'm sure that it will be quite an experience.

### NOTE

At the March Meeting we will be voting to either approve or disapprove the newly proposed Constitution and By-Laws. This is very important to all Post 29 Legionnaires. This is your Post, so let your voice be heard. Remember, even if the Constitution and By-Laws are approve, if you feel that something is not right, they can again be look at by a majority vote. Speak up, it's your right.

A great time was had by all at the Valentine Dance. The music was great and the atmosphere and comradeship was outstanding. My thanks to the Social Quarters personnel for a job well done.

The dedication of the Korean War Memorial Highway will be on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March. In honor of this event, your Post has ordered some of the commemorative pins honoring this event. We will present these pins to the Post 29 Korean War Veterans free of charge. We will be presenting the Korean pins to eligible personnel at the March/April General Membership meetings. If you, are eligible for this pin, please be at one of the two meetings. **You have earned this pin!** If you are unable to come to the Post, have a family member come in on your behalf. On the same note, some of you Korean War Veterans who are able, should get together and set up some car pools and go to Macon for the dedication. It would be nice to have some Post 29 representation for this event.

March 15-17 is considered the official anniversary of the American Legion. On Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> of March in honor of the American Legion Birthday, we will start handing out the certificates of continuous service for Legion members of Post 29. So for you members who have 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, and 65 years of continuous membership, you will receive a certificate at this time. However, in order to save the Post the cost of postage, please come by the Social Quarters or

have a family member come by and pick up your certificate.

Also during the March Meeting, we will open nominations for the Post 29 elections of Officers for the 2008-2009 Legion Year.

At the February Meeting, the Junior Shooting Sports Program presented three students with awards and certificates. This has grown to be a program that is now recognized by the District and Department. My compliments to the fine instructors and their very knowledgeable staff.

Many thanks to the Sons of the American Legion (SAL). Recently members of the SAL got together and trimmed the hedges around the parking lot. All members of the Post owe the members of the SAL for all that they do for our Post.

The next Fifth District meeting will be on March 9, at Post 145, in Douglasville, Ga., at 10:00A.M. Hope to see you there.

Our membership is doing well, however we still have approximately 92 members who have not renewed. The dues payment period runs from June through December of each year. As of 1 February if you still haven't paid, your dues become delinquent. Your membership means a lot to all of the veterans in this great country. Without our great organization, there is an enormous amount of veterans benefits that our past, present and future veterans would not have.

Spring Conference will be held on March 15 -16, 2008, in Macon, Ga. There will also be a Homecoming Dinner/Dance for Department Commander, Auxiliary President and Sons of

The American Legion Commander on Saturday, March 15, 2008 at the Conference Center. Cost for this event is \$22.00 per person. If you need forms for either of these, please contact the Adjutant or Larry Diehl.

The U.S. Army and the American Legion have partnered together for the "Freedom Team Salute" Program. We still have numerous packets in the Post for members who have served in the Army. You can learn more about this outstanding program by going on-line to [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org) and then click on the Freedom Team Salute icon.

For God and Country,

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## From the chaplain

Once again I am sad to say that we lost three more members of our great organization since the last newsletter went out. Please keep the families and friends of Frank J. Tylek, Harold D. Davis, Richard C. Woyar in your prayers and thoughts. All were great friends and will be sorely missed by many. I will leave you with A Volunteers Prayer:

O, God, Today I will be with those who are suffering and frightened, and probably alone. Some will have no one to talk to today, Lord, but me. May my

arms be strong to give someone a hug, my hands comforting and warm to hold another's hand, and through my eyes and smile may someone know I care. But most of all, Lord, give my heart the compassion and understanding that will calm another's fears, dry a tear, and give strength to face what lies ahead. I am only one person, Lord, but you and I know one person can and will make a difference in another's life. And if I can do that for someone today, when my head lies upon my pillow tonight, and my eyes close, I will be at peace. Amen

For God and Country,

Bob Huebner  
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## Ladies Auxiliary

Ladies, again a big thank you to everyone who prepared food, helped set up and clean-up at the February meeting. Someone sitting near me said "our ladies are the best cooks of all the Auxiliary Units". I certainly agree. There is really no limit to what can be accomplished with a good group of ladies working together. We had several members attend the February meeting who have been absent recently. Welcome Back!! We would like to welcome our new members, Crystal Alkema and Susan Carey. Our next meeting will be March 6, dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m and our meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. We will be serving Cornbeef and Cabbage and Chicken and Dumplings'. We ask that you please bring a side dish.

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The following probably does not apply but is cute. My Four New Boyfriends! I am seeing four gentlemen every day. As soon as I wake up (thankfully), Will Power helps me get out of bed. As soon as I'm out of bed I go to see John. Then Charlie Horse comes along, and when he is here he takes a lot of my time and attention. When he leaves, Art Ritis shows up and stays the rest of the day. He doesn't like to stay in one place very long so he takes me from joint to joint. After such a busy day, I'm really tired and glad to go to bed with Ben Gay. WHAT A LIFE!!

For God and Country

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The logo for Sons of the Legion, featuring the text "Sons of the Legion" in a stylized, blue, outlined font with a shadow effect.

I attended and participated in my first "Four Chaplains" ceremony at Post 145 in

Douglasville, during the month of February. It was well conducted and well worth the time spent there. I will be at all future ceremonies. You should try to attend future ceremonies as well.

Membership is up, even though we do still have a few members who have not renewed. If you haven't renewed yet, please do so as soon as possible. If there is a reason/problem causing you not to renew at this time, please let me know and maybe the concern can be alleviated.

My thanks to Hugh Tucker, and his crew, for trimming the hedges around the parking lot. They really look good. Thanks guys!

It is my sad duty to report that Bob Jackson has resigned as our Historian. Bob felt that his current employment situation, working at nights, would not allow him to devote the time and attention required of the position. My thanks to Max Jones, who assumed the position of Historian.

I am looking forward to the Spring Conference. I have never attended one that was not both informative and enjoyable. I am proud to be an American.

For God and Country,

Bill Williford  
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The logo for Social Quarters, featuring the text "Social Quarters" in a stylized, blue, outlined font with a shadow effect.

What a whirlwind it has been in Social Quarters lately!

Usually it's a chance for all of us to recover from the holidays, but this year it's been hectic! I'm sure everyone has been noticing some new faces behind the bar! Please welcome Yasmin De Souza, Jesse Houser, Tracy Hollingshead, and Cheryl Davis to the Post 29 family. Jennifer is still around (as I am often asked) but she is coaching some teams at her school and can not work as much as she used to with her full time job obligations.

We are also bidding farewell to Dot Nicholson. Dot is leaving us after nearly eight years of service. She will be missed! We hope that everyone will get an opportunity to say good bye to her before her last day on February 26.

Tommy Blackburn will be center stage again this year fixing his famous Corned Beef and Cabbage for our St. Patrick's Day Party on Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Please come out and join us for the festivities which will kick off at 1:00 p.m. Please bring a side dish!!!

We would also like to remind everyone that we will be CLOSED Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> in observance of Easter.

Don't forget about the copy of the Emblem Sales Catalog that is behind the bar in the Social Quarters. If you need a Legion Cap, shirt, pin, etc., all you need to do is ask the bartender for the magazine. She will turn your order over to the Finance Officer. We also have bumper stickers, ball caps, vehicle tags, and patriotic car magnets for sale behind the bar!

March birthdays include, but are not limited to: 1<sup>st</sup> – Charles Dowick, Sr, Marilyn King,

Rolland Stokes, James Stolle, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dean Bradley, Ruthie Depner, Richard Raney, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Joseph Domain, Lloyd Drake, 4<sup>th</sup> – Matthew Casale, 5<sup>th</sup> – Jim Brideau, 6<sup>th</sup> – Norman Frese, Michael Potrzuski, Helen Sefers, Dennis Sewell, 7<sup>th</sup> – Albert Nordin, III, Mark Schubert, 8<sup>th</sup> – Jim Baskin, Peter Fauchetta, Eric Johnson, 9<sup>th</sup> – Boyd Baxter, 10<sup>th</sup> – Joshua Booth, Todd Kramer, 11<sup>th</sup> – Robert H. Davis, Mark Griffith, 12<sup>th</sup> – Lysa Cunningham, Gary Winckler, Shoanna Woodham, 13<sup>th</sup> – Jim Barker, Mary Becker, Patrick Doogan, Paul Groskreutz, Lucky Lakatos, Hazel Wood, 14<sup>th</sup> – James Holiday, 15<sup>th</sup> – Ronald Hildago, 16<sup>th</sup> – James Carroll, Julia Carter, Mark Frutchey, Mary Hughes, John McCarthy, Frank Nixon, 18<sup>th</sup> – Jeff Settle, Steven Stallings, 19<sup>th</sup> – John Mitchell, Nicole Munda, 20<sup>th</sup> – David Adams, Thomas C. Townsend, Sr, 21<sup>st</sup> – Matthew Difabio, Eugene Essex, 22<sup>nd</sup> – David T. Brown, Paula Kittiah, 23<sup>rd</sup> – R. E. Craver, Bob Reitz, Ernest Smith, 25<sup>th</sup> – Kent Hansen, Malcolm Rutledge, 26<sup>th</sup> – Everette Hodge, 27<sup>th</sup> – Ivan Addington, William Beverley, Edward Cook, Jr, Larry Hanson, Kenneth Means,



28<sup>th</sup> – Thomas Unger, 29<sup>th</sup> – Linda Simmons, Howard Stith, 30<sup>th</sup> – Terry Bellah, 31<sup>st</sup> – Carol Patton and Thomas A. Townsend. Have a happy, blow out the candles, and have many more! If your name is not listed, it is because we do not

have your birth date on file. Leave it with the bartender in social quarters and we'll get it added.

**W**e welcome the following new members: Michael Boyce, Kevin Carey, Bruce W. Holt, Theresa Sherwood, Chester Brown, Carlos Martinez, Frank C. Hunt,



Jerry L. Garrett, Mauritz P. Tengzelius, John Brandenburg, Joe L. Gregorcyk, Ernest W. Smith, Ben E. Greenwell and William U. Davidson. If you should meet any of these new members, welcome them to our Post.

The Band Line-up for March 2008 is as follows:

Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> – Southern Jam.

Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup> – Southern Jam.



Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> – N-2-U.

Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup> – Black Diamond.

All bands start at 8:00 and play until midnight! There is no cover charge.

**G**eneral Membership Meetings are on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM. Dinner is usually hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary at 6:30 P.M. We only ask that the members bring a side dish to accompany the main dish that the ladies prepare!

Don't forget that every Wednesday we have free lunch served from 11:00 am until it's gone. We do post a menu on the bulletin board at the entrance door. Each Wednesday may be different from the week prior.

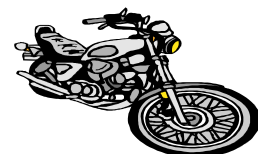


As always, remember to check the board by the door for the latest information for the week including the menu for Wednesday, and the performers for Friday night. Come join us. Thank you for supporting the Social Quarters and your Post.

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For God and Country,

Milton, Jack, and Julia



## American Legion Riders

The Post 29 ALR will be holding its next meeting on Feb 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.

If you would like to join, have any questions, or would like to attend a meeting of the Legion Riders, please contact Rick "White Boy" Cope @ 770-560-8924. or e-mail him at [harleytrucker6918@yahoo.com](mailto:harleytrucker6918@yahoo.com) or Michael Willis at [Michael\\_willis@bellsouth.net](mailto:Michael_willis@bellsouth.net).

For God and Country,

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